Research Position Endowed At MSU

Enoch L. Mitchell To Work On Tennessee History

Enoch L. Mitchell, chairman of Memphis State University's history department since 1951, yesterday was appointed to the university's first endowed chair of research.

Mr. Mitchell, who will become chairman emeritus of the history department, will be replaced by Dr. Aaron Boom, a member of the Memphis State history faculty since 1949.

The appointments, effective July 1, were announced yesterday by Dr. C. C. Humphreys, Memphis State president.

The research chair was established by the Chapman Foundation of Memphis with a grant that is renewable for three years at $500 a year. R. C. Harnden, president of Chapman Chemical Co., made the first presentation yesterday.

Mr. Mitchell, who will continue to carry a reduced teaching load and continue his work with Memphis State University Press, will use the grant for work on a volume on the history of Tennessee. He is coauthoring the work with Stanley Folmsbee of the University of Tennessee and Robert E. Corlew of Middle Tennessee State College.

Dr. Boom, originally from Bladen, Neb., holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Nebraska. He received a doctorate degree in 1948 from the University of Chicago.